

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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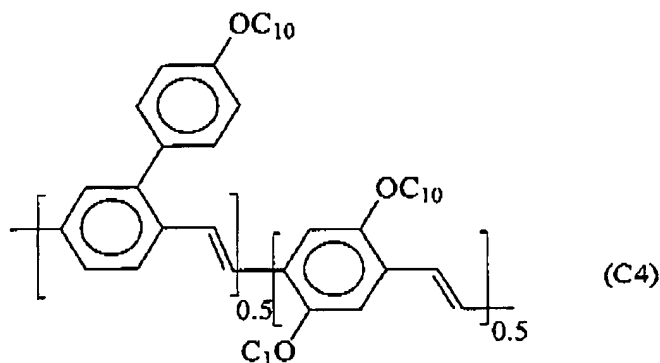
Page 3, paragraph beginning on line 17.

If the polymer is to emit yellow or more yellowish light the R is preferably selected to be a C₁-C₂₀ alkoxy group of the type defined above. Preferred alkoxy groups are OC₄, in particular 2-methylpropyloxy, and ~~OC₁₀~~ OC₉, in particular 3,7-dimethylhexyloxy. Even more preferred is methoxy.

Page 8, paragraph beginning on lines 5-6.

~~Preferred embodiments of the EL device in accordance with the invention are claimed in claims 11 and 12.~~

Page 10, paragraph beginning on line 1.

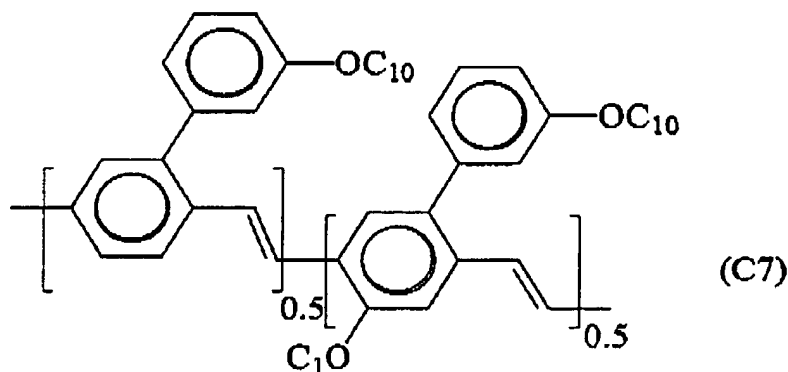


wherein ~~OC₁₀~~ OC₉ is 3,7-dimethylhexyloxy and which is a polymer not in accordance with the invention. The polymer C4 is

disclosed in WO 99/21936 and photo- and electroluminesces red to orange light. The EL layer 7 is covered, in succession, with a Ba and Al layer which together form the electron-injecting electrode 9 each layer being applied by means of deposition of metal vapor in vacuo. The EL device 1 further includes a voltage source 11 capable of providing a voltage sufficient to obtain an emission of light of brightness 100 Cd/m² or more. The EL device 1 is encapsulated so as to avoid contact with oxygen and water.

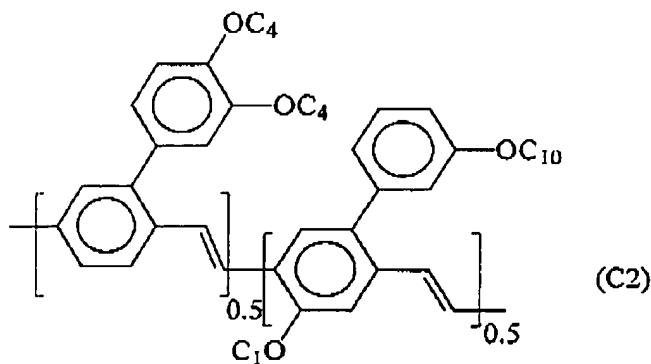
Page 12, paragraph beginning on line 10.

Comparative example 1 is repeated with the difference that the polymer is replaced by a polymer not in accordance with the invention and emitting yellow to green light, this polymer being a polymer of repeating unit of formula (C7)



wherein OC_{10} is 3,7-dimethylhexyloxy.

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wherein OC_6 is 3,7-dimethylhexyloxy and OC_4 is 2-methylpropyloxy. When the EL device thus obtained is subjected to the service life test of comparative example 2, in which the EL device is driven at constant current and at an initial brightness of 200 Cd/m^2 while maintaining an ambient temperature of 80°C , the service life, defined as the time within the brightness drops to half its initial value, is about 55 h, whereas the efficiency of the EL device is 9.0 Cd/A .